

# **Murfreesboro Police Department**

## **Media Release**

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### **2014 SHOP WITH A COP**

MPD Police Officers and Detectives helped Santa fulfill the Christmas wishes of 20 children Saturday morning. The children, their parents, and the officers started their morning being treated to breakfast at McDonald's inside Walmart on South Rutherford Blvd. Accompanied by an officer, the children were able to purchase bicycles, games, toys and clothing items.

This event was funded through donations from Walmart, Sam's Club, Fred's stores and Angels for Protectors. Each child was given \$250 to spend.

Officer Hayley Alden said: "The child I shopped with was so timid to spend any money at first but by the end she kept saying she just could not believe she could buy anything she wanted!"

The officers thought that the children were the ones receiving the gifts but as Detective Larry Maples discovered: "It was as though we were the ones who received the gift. I had a blast shopping with my new friend. This is truly what the season is about."



(Top left to right)

Ofc. Mark Todd and Sha'turah  
Sgt. Jason McGee and John Paul  
Ofc. Bill Drye and Brian  
Ast. Chief Roy Fields and Aiden

(Bottom left to right)

Lt. Steve Teeters and Trista  
Ofc. Angela Alexander and Immanuel